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MINUTES
Conservation District of Southern Nevada
Area Meeting
Conservation District of Southern Nevada – 5820 S. Pecos Road A-400
April 20, 2007 – 11:00 a.m.

Attendees:

Name	Agency
Supervisor Jodi Bechtel, Chair	CDSN
Supervisor Judy Currier, Vice Chair	CDSN
Supervisor John Hunt, Treas./Secretary	CDSN
Wilisha Daniels	CDSN
Jennifer Szwejbka	CDSN
Jarrod Edmunds	NRCS
John Jefferado	NRCS
Teri Knight	NRCS
Bill Elder	NRCS
Kelly McGowan	NDCD
Sandi Gotta	NDCD
Shanea Evans	NDCD
Marlene Wallace	Esmeralda CD
Leland Wallace	Esmeralda CD
Josh DeGayner	Moapa Band of Paiutes
Barbara Perlman	Nevada Tahoe CD
Keith Whipple	State Commission
James Petell	Southern Nye CD
Laurelle Hughes	High Desert RC&D
Ken Clearwater Grubb	Southern Nye CD
Bud R. Scow	Dixie SCD
Collette Wadsworth	Dixie SCD

OPEN MEETING

There was not a quorum for the meeting; therefore formal minutes were not required.

Consent Agenda: Consent Agenda items are considered by the CDSN Board to be routine and may be acted upon in one motion. However, the Board may discuss any consent item individually if requested when the Consent Agenda is considered for approval. (Action item)

1. Compliance with Nevada Open Meeting Law
2. Approval of April 2007 Agenda

Business Agenda:

3. Introductions (Discussion Only) 5 minutes
4. Division of Conservation District Updates (Discussion/Action Item) 30 minutes:
 - i. Question 1 Bond Act & Proposed Question 2 Bond Act – Sandi Gotta reported that bond acts are currently in review. Bond Act 1 is related to on the ground projects.

- ii. CD Compliance Assistance – Sandi also stated that CDs need to comply by open meeting laws and deadlines, because the Bond Act will require an audit.
5. NvACD Updates (Discussion/Action Item) 20 minutes:
 - i. 2007 Legislative Session – NDCD passed out current MOU/Bills for review. The legislature is currently hearing testimonies on bills, but putting off decisions until at later date.
 6. Roundtable: Opportunities for Cooperative Projects/Programs (Discussion/Action Item) 45 minutes
The group discussed possible opportunities for projects such as:

- Noxious Weeds
- TES
- Recreation Resources
- Water Resources
- Partnerships with RC&Ds
- Educational materials
- Specialty Crops
- Use MOUs to work together

Barbara also stated she is working on a program called “Every Acre Counts” which is an opportunity for Districts to collaborate. She is working on strategic priorities for sustainable green development using county ordinances. She will also send information to the CDs on the program.

7. Adjourn for Lunch (Action Item) 30 minutes
8. Reconvene Meeting (Action Item)
9. CD/NRCS Updates (Discussion/Action Item) 30 minutes:
 - i. Range Camp – Deadline to sign up is April 30
 - ii. MOU Framework/Strategic Plan – The MOU was signed in February
 - iii. Farm Bill Update – Bill Elder gave a presentation on the Farm Bill.
 - iv. NRCS Local Agreements including vehicle use

10. Open Discussion and Public Comment (Discussion Only)*

The Dixie CD discussed current programs they are working on in their area. They currently have a tamarisk removal/restoration project, a farm festival and a “Trees for Communities” program.

11. Adjournment (Action Item)